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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

4 METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DYNAMIC ADDITION AND REMOVAL OF MULTIPLE NETWORK NAMES ON A SINGLE SERVER

A method and apparatus for configuring a server in a distributed data processing system is provided. The server receives a request for a function that specifies a first server name and a second server name. The server responds to requests directed to a set of server names that includes the first server name. The function executes on the server specified by the first server name, wherein the function dynamically modifies a membership of the second server name in the set of server names. The server names for the server are added or removed dynamically without halting or restarting the server.